

CHAPTER

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DEAD MOUNT DEATH PLAY

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THE CHURCH'S
HIDDEN SEAL...
A VETERAN
WARRIOR WHO'S
ESCAPED THE
JAWS OF DEATH
COUNTLESS
TIMES...



THE
DRIVING
FORCE
OF OUR
SUBJUGATION
UNIT...
HE IS
COMING!

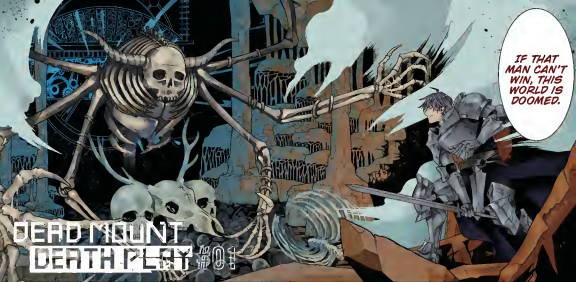


TAKE THE
WOUNDED
TO THE
SACRILEGE

THE
BEST
OF YOU
FALL
BACK!



**THE
CALAMITY
CRUSHER
IS HERE.**





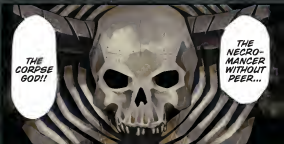
THIS
LABYRINTH
CONTINUES
TO EXPAND
EVEN NOW.



...UNTIL
THEY
FINALLY
SPILLED
OVER
INTO THE
OUTSIDE.

A MONSTER
CREATING
MORE
MONSTERS

THAT
CRAZED
CORPSE
HAD
TAKEN UP
RESIDENCE
HERE.



THE
CORPSE
GOD!!

THE
NECRO-
MANCER
WITHOUT
PEER...



SIR
SHAGRUA
WOZN'T
LOSE.



SIR
SHAGRUA
MAY BE
CALLED THE
CALAMITY
CRUSHER,
BUT CAN HE
REALLY WIN
AGAINST
THAT...?



IF
HE DON'T
DEFEAT HIM
HERE, THE
WORLD
WILL BE
OVERRUN BY
ZOMBIES.



HE IS
NOT THE
SORT OF MAN
WHO WOULD
SUCCUMB TO
DEATH.



...SO YOU
POSSSESS
THE EYE.



ALL THE
SOULS
YOU'VE EVER
SACRIFICED

I CAN
SEE
THEM.



IF HE'S
NOT CAREFUL,
WE'LL EVEN
SEE THOSE
OF BIRDS AND
INSECTS. ALL
OF THEM.

EVERY-
THING FROM
THE THIEVES
HE'S KILLED
TO EVIL
SPIRITS...



THEY SAY
HE WAS
BORN WITH
THE ABILITY
TO SEE
GHOSTS.

"EVIL
EYE?"



TAKE, OR
THEY FIND
PLEASURE
TAKING
WITH
SPIRITS...

...BY
BECOMING
NEGRO-
MAGICIANS
LIKE THE
COMPE
GOD.



MANY
PEOPLE
WHO
POSSESSED
THE EVIL
EYE...

...WENT
REFUGE
IN THE
CHURCH,
WHERE
THEY
SPENT
THE REST OF
THEIR
LIVES.



...HE
CHOOSE
THE
BATTLE-
FIELD.
HE'S A
FURNISHED
GENT.



HE'S A
MEMBER
OF THE
CHURCH
NOW,
BUT...

THE
CALAMITY
CRUISER,
HE...



THANK
IT...



YOUR
TRUE
FORM!!



ALL
LIVES ARE
NOTHING
MORE
THAN
TOYS TO
ME.



THE ONLY
YOU'VE
COMMITTED
TO PROTECT
ISUCH A
TRIFLING
THING...



GODS
DON'T
PLAY
GAMES

...NOT
LIKE
US,
WITH
OUR
EVIL
EYES.



DON'T
TRY TO
ACT LIKE
YOU'RE
THE GRIM
REAPER!!



THE
RESISTANCE
WON'T
RISING UP
FROM THE
GODS OF
THOSE
YOU'VE
KILLED.

YOU
ENJOY
THEM,
DON'T
YOU?



YOU
AND I
TAKE
LIVES
FOR
FUN.



...DON'T
COMPIRE
YOURSELF
TO ME...

...YOU
BASTARD
MONSTER
...



FLING UP
MOUNDS
OF
CORPSES.

WE
BOTH
WEAR
THE
SIGN
OF THE
GRIM
REAPER.



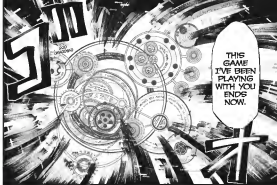
ALL OF
IT'S JUST
CHILD'S
PLAY.



LET'S
END
THIS.



THIS
PATTERN...
I DON'T
KNOW THIS
MAGIC!



THIS GAME
I'VE BEEN
PLAYING
WITH YOU
ENDS
NOW.



AS LONG
AS YOU'RE
AROUND...

NOT IF
I CAN
HELP
IT...!!

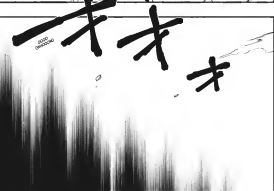


I'LL
HELP!



...THIS
COUNTRY
AND ITS
CHILDREN
...

...HAVE NO
FUTURE...!!



...HE
AFTER...

...BUT
MEMORY

SOME
KIND OF
MAGIC...BUT
INVOKED?

...
THERE
WAS
MAGIC
...

ON
PEAK...
BACK
THEN...



...AND
IT

WHERE
...

WHAT
THE...? MY
HANDS
ARE SO
SMALL...



I CAN
MOVE
...



THERE'S
SOMETHING
STRANGE
ABOUT
THEM...

THE
GROUND
AND
WALLS...



HEH
...

I CAN'T...
USE MY
VOICE...

HOW TIGHT, WITH THOSE SUBCARLES



I HEAR
HOUSES
DOWN
TINY
WAX...



WHAT
IS...THIS
PLACE
...!?



















MEMORIES
OF THIS
GIRL ARE
COMING
BACK TO
ME...



IS
THERE ANY
POINT...IN
READING IT
BACKWARD?

WHEN YOU
EGAP IT
BACKWARD
IT'S KISAMI
YAMIKISAI



GLAD
KISAMI-YER'S
BODY TALKS IN
KINDS AERL

OH, SHE'S
LAUGHING.



A
BODY
SEARCH?

I'M
FRISKING
YOU.



...WHAT...
ARE YOU
DOING?



AND
THOSE TWO
MEN FROM
EARLIER
WERE
GUARDS OR
SOMETHING
...







THIS
GIRL...





...IS THE
ONE WHO
KILLED THIS
BODY!



"POLKA
SHINOYAMA?"



WHAT WAS
WHOEVER
HE'D ASKED
THINKING...?



HE'S
ONLY
SIXTEEN.
I CAN'T
BELIEVE
THEY'D
SEE AN
ASSASSIN
ON HIM...



OH WELL.
THIS TIME,
MAKE
SURE YOU
ACTUALLY
DIE.
OKAY...?

OTHERWISE,
US
RETRIEVERS
WON'T GET
PAID.



AND THE
MAGIC
ELEMENTS
IN THE AIR
ARE SO
THICK!



BUT
WHAT'S
WITH THIS
WORLD
ANYWAY?

I CAN
BARELY
SENSE
ANY
SPIRITS!



IT'S NO
USE...IT'S
ALL I CAN
DO TO JUST
RUN AWAY.



ANY NEW
WOUNDS I
GET WON'T
HEAL...!

PLUS,
THIS BODY
BARELY
HAS ANY
MAGIC!



I DON'T
FEEL THE
ENERGY OF
THIS PLACE
EITHER...

AND MY
MEMORIES
OF WHAT
LED TO
THIS ARE
SPOTTY
AT BEST.



WHAT DO
I DO?

CLOSE RANGE
BATTLE WITH A
FLimsy BODY
LIKE THIS WILL BE
IMPOSSIBLE...

...AND
I CAN'T
USE ANY
MAGIC.



ALL I
KNOW IS
THAT IF I
SUSTAIN
EVEN ONE
FATAL
WOUND...

...I'M AS
GOOD AS
DEAD...













BUT THIS IS
THE FIRST
TIME I'VE
EVER BEEN
OUTDONE BY
ANYONE.



I'VE KILLED
MY FAIR
SHARE OF
GANGSTERS
AND
MURDERERS.

NICE...



KEE
HA
HA!

I THINK I
MIGHT BE
DEVELOPING
A CRUSH
ON YOU!







AND
KNOW
WHAT?

RUMOR HAS
IT GHOSTS
AND THINGS
ARE ALWAYS
TURNING UP.



THEY'D
LIQUIFY
PEOPLE
AND STUFF.
THAT'S THE
POWER OF
SCIENCE
FOR YOU!

THE
BUILDING WAS
A FAMOUS
EXECUTION
SITE USED BY
GANGSTERS.



THAT'S
WHY
NOBODY
EVER
COMES
AROUND.



EVEN
WITH
THESE
EYES...

...I CAN
SEE THEM
CLEAR AS
DAY.



YEAH...
SO IT
WOULD
SEEM.



GANGSTERS
ARE ONE
THING,
BUT THE
GHOSTS
WHAT'S
REALLY
NEW?

IT'S THE
POWER OF
THE OCCULT!



THE
PEOPLE
WHO
USED
THIS
PLACE...

...HAD FAR
TOO LITTLE
RESPECT
FOR THE
LIVES OF
OTHERS.
HUN?



...I CAN
SEE THE
SPIRITS OF
PEOPLE THE
NAME AS
I ALWAYS
HAVE.

I GET IT
NOW...
THOUGH
THE
SPIRITS OF
BEASTS
AND BUGS
ARE
GONE...



AND IF I
CAN SEE
THEM EVEN
WITH THIS
BODY,
THEN...





KIS-HEE! WHAT,
WHAT? YOU
ONE OF THOSE
ADVOCATES FOR
THE "VALUE OF
HUMAN LIFE"?



...LESS
ABOUT THE
EYEBALL
OR BRAIN
AND MORE
RELATED TO
THE SOUL.

...THE
EVIL
EYE
REALLY
IS...



I AGREE!
A HUMAN
LIFE HAS
MORE
WEIGHT
THAN THE
WORLD
ITSELF!

ABOUT
TWENTY-
ONE
GRAMS,
TO SAY?



...OUGHT
TO TREAT IT
BETTER.

AND
YOU...



YEAH.
I AM.



SO THIS TIME,
I WON'T LEAVE
SO MUCH
AS A SINGLE
GRAM BEHIND,
GRAY...?



...WHEN
I KILL
YOU!



I'M
GONNA BE
SOOOO
RESPECT-
FUL...

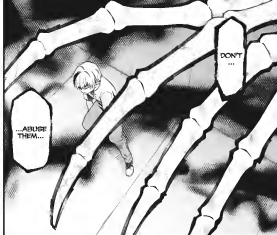


DON'T
BE SO
CANA-
LIER...









...ABUSE
THEM...

DON'T

...



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SIGNAL
LOST



...HMM?



I'M JUST
A LITTLE
CONCERNED
I WAS
UNABLE TO
COMPLETE
MY TASK.

NOTH-
ING...



WHAT'S
THE
MATTER,
SIR
SHAGRIM?



HE'S...
THE
CORPSE
GOD IS
GONE.

YOU DID
NOTHING
TO KILLY
THE NAME
"CALAMITY
CRUSHER."



WHAT
ARE YOU
TALKING
ABOUT?



IT FELT
LIKE TELE-
PORTATION
MAGIC...

...I'M
CERTAIN
HIS SPELL
ACTIVATED.



IN THE
FINAL
INSTANT
WHEN MY
SWORD CAME FOR
HIM...



DID I
DESTROY
THAT
NECRO-
MANCER?

IS THE
CORPSE
GOD
REALLY
GONE...?



...AND
IN THAT
MOMENT...
I SAW HIS
SOUL WITH
MY EVIL
EYE.

BUT HIS
DISAPPEAR-
ANCE
SEEMED
FAR TOO
SUDDEN.



YOU
SAVED THE
WORLD,
SHASTRIA-
SAMA.



THEY
SAW ALL
TRACES
OF THE
CORPSE
GOD'S
SOUL HAVE
VANISHED
FROM
THIS
WORLD.

WE JUST
GOT WORD
FROM THE
CHURCH'S
OBSERVATION
UNIT
THROUGH A
REMOTE
SPEECH
SPELL.



...YOU WERE TRYING TO KILL THIS BODY... THIS "POLKA SHINOYAMA"...

I DON'T KNOW WHY...



MIKAKI-CHAN, WAS IT...?



...BUT I MUST OFFER YOU MY THANKS.



FOR BRINGING ME TO THIS PLACE SO FULL OF DEAD SPIRITS AND MAGIC.

THANK YOU.





FROM
NOW
ON...
IT'LL
BE
YOU
AND
ME...

...PLAYING
OUR "GRIM
REAPER"
GAMES.

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